CDF Operations

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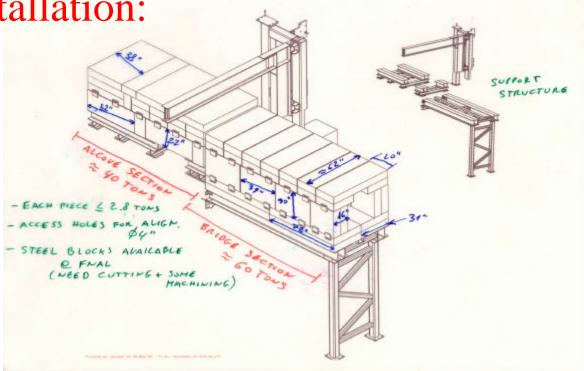
- Work during extended shutdown
- Plans for startup



The end of the shutdown

We used the extra week for various tasks:

• Installation of crane on east side for future shielding installation:





Additional shutdown work

- Long cosmic runs all high voltage on:
 - ✓ No problems with COT or TOF HV
- Upgrade of slow control software
- Lots of single-channel fixes:
 - ✓ Hot PMT in EM calorimeter
 - ✓ Grounding on forward muon scintillator
 - ✓ Single channels on central muon chambers
 - ✓ Stuck low-order trigger bits
- Trigger development...



Trigger development

• "Readout Lists":

- > Selective formatting and readout of front-end data banks
- Targets diagnostic trigger banks or information that can be regenerated offline
- Significantly reduces data volume and readout times for some crates

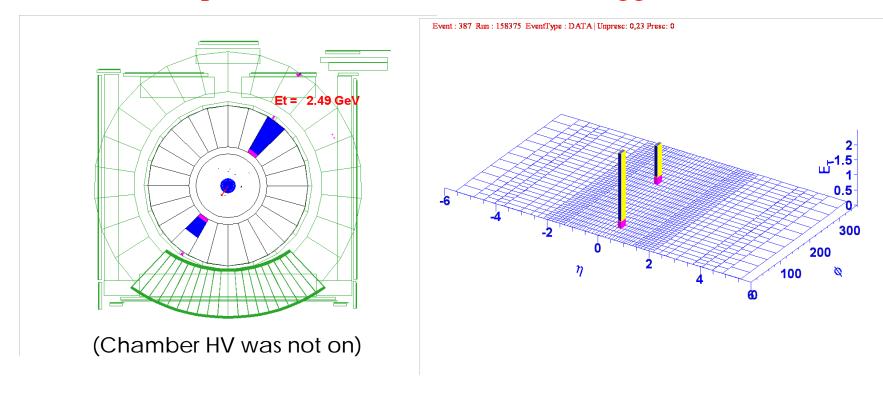
Example: L2 decision bank was 3 kb, now averages 700 bytes.

- ➤ Installed in 7 out of 8 trigger "partitions"
- > Needs further tests with beam for final checkout



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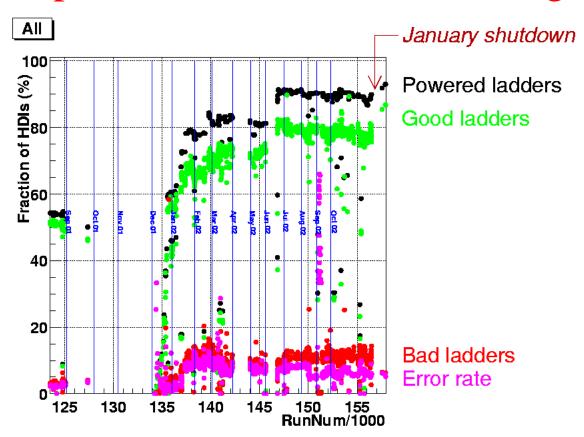
- Time-of-Flight trigger
 - ➤ Motivated by direct searches for highly ionizing particles (eg. Monopoles)
 - ➤ Also provides a convenient cosmic trigger:





Silicon maintenance

• Read out silicon detector with cosmics – visible improvements from work during shutdown.





Start up plan

- Silicon will remain off initially
 - > Don't know what the beam conditions will be like
- Luminosity needs to be calibrated
 - > PMT's in west luminosity monitor replaced
 - > Need minimum bias data to set gains
 - ➤ Should take about ½ hour of first store
- Start with December trigger configuration
- Imminent developments:
 - ➤ New level 3 trigger executable includes Silicon tracking
 - > Reduction of data volume out of level 3
- Looking forward to taking data again!